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Application No. 10/078,540
Docket No. 740116-361REMARKS

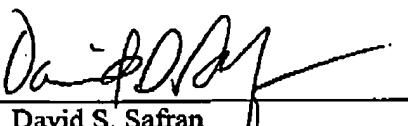
By the above actions, claims 7-16 have been amended to depend from claim 1. Thus, the Examiner's restriction between claims 1-6 (Group I) and claims 7-16 (Group II) has been rendered moot since the combination of Group II requires all of the elements of the subcombination of Group I. That is, since MPEP § 806.05(c) Criteria of Distinctness for Combination, Subcombination, or Element of a Combination sets forth that "two-way distinctness" must be shown to support a requirement for restriction, and that a showing that "the combination does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed for patentability" must be made by the Examiner for that purpose, the restriction requirement between Groups I and II must be withdrawn.

As for the election of species requirement, Applicants hereby elect the embodiment of Figs. 1-2C which relate to the embodiment of the electrical unit which has both a cap and a ring and thus encompasses both the combination and the subcombination, and all of claims 1 to 16 are submitted to be readable on the elected embodiment.

A prompt action on the merits of the elected invention is now requested and should only the presence of the non-elected claims stand in the way of allowance of this application, the Examiner is hereby authorized to cancel those claims by Examiner's Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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